

## **REMARKS**

### **I. INTRODUCTION**

Claims 39, 41-50, and 52--72 are currently pending. Claims 39, 50, 61 and 67 are amended herein. Support for the amendments may be found, for example, at page 20, lines 16-25 of the specification.

The Examiner has rejected claims 39, 50, 61-63, 66-69 and 72, and has objected to claims 41-49, 52-60, 64, 65, 70 and 71, as dependent from a rejected base claim, but which would otherwise be allowable. In view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks, allowance of this application is most respectfully requested.

### **II. REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶1, WRITTEN DESCRIPTION**

Claims 61-63, 66-69 and 72 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Applicants have amended claims 61 and 67, to specify that the X ligand is monoanionic. Applicants respectfully submit that the present claims fully comply with the requirements of section 112.

### **III. REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102(b)**

Claims 39 and 50 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as anticipated by Baldo et al. in *Nature* **1998**, 395, pp. 151-154. Although Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's position, claims 39 and 50 are amended herein to recite that the phosphorescent dopant material is a phosphorescent organometallic complex of metal species M with a bidentate mono-anionic ligand in which M is coordinated with an sp<sup>2</sup> hybridized carbon and a heteroatom of the ligand. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 39 and 50 as amended overcome the Examiner's rejection in view of Baldo et al., and respectfully request that the rejection be withdrawn.

IV. CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance and request that such action be taken. If for any reason the Examiner believes that prosecution of this application would be advanced by contact with the Applicants' attorney, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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